

Senate Commerce, Labor & Agriculture Committee Amendment No. 2

Amendment No. 2 to SB2381

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by adding the following new section immediately preceding the last section and by renumbering the subsequent section accordingly:

SECTION _____. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-6-207(1), is amended by designating the existing language as subitem (A) and by adding the following as a new subitem (B):

(B) (i) An employer may choose to continue to compensate an injured employee at the employee's regular wages or salary during the employee's period of temporary total and temporary partial disability. Such payments shall not result in an employee's receiving less than the employee would otherwise receive for temporary disability benefits under the Workers' Compensation Law. However, a court or the department of labor and workforce development shall have no authority to require an employer to pay any temporary disability benefits required by subitem (A) in addition to the employee's regular wages or salary.

(ii) When an employee receives payments under (B)(i) and the employee's claim for compensation under this chapter is determined by a court or settlement to be compensable, the employer shall be given credit for any such payments. The credit shall be no more than the employee would have been otherwise paid under subitem (A), and any amount paid beyond the amount that would have otherwise been paid under subitem (A) shall not be credited against any award for permanent disability.